UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA CIVIL NO. 13-cv-01524 (PJS/JJK)

Stafon Edward Thompson,

Petitioner,

VS.

STATE'S ANSWER TO PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS

Tom Roy, Commissioner of Corrections,

Respondent.

TO: THE HONORABLE JEFFREY J. KEYES, UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE.

Respondent respectfully moves this Court to deny Petitioner's Application for a Writ of Habeas Corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §2254 because the sole legal claim is not cognizable of federal habeas corpus relief. The State also asserts an evidentiary hearing is unnecessary.

The supporting reasons for this response are set forth in the attached Memorandum.

DATED: August 1, 2013 Respectfully submitted,

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